

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 5903

February Session, 2000

LCO No. 2614

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

An Act Concerning The Statute Of Limitations For Prosecution Of Sexual Assault.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 54-193a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 3 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 54-193, no person may
- 4 be prosecuted for any offense involving sexual abuse, sexual
- 5 exploitation or sexual assault of a minor except within two years from
- 6 the date the victim attains the age of majority or within [five] ten years
- 7 from the date the victim notifies any police officer or state's attorney
- 8 acting in [his] <u>such police officer's or state's attorney's</u> official capacity
- 9 of the commission of the offense, whichever is earlier, provided in no
- 10 event shall such period of time be less than [five] ten years after the
- 11 commission of the offense.
- 12 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 54-193, no person may
- 13 be prosecuted for a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-
- 14 71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b, when the victim is other than a minor, except
- 15 within ten years from the date the victim notifies any police officer or

- 16 state's attorney acting in such police officer's or state's attorney's
- 17 official capacity of the commission of the offense.
- 18 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Statement of Purpose:

To extend the statute of limitations for the prosecution of the crime of felony sexual assault from five years after the offense was committed to ten years after the date the victim reported the offense.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]